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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants '

Christian Behl et al.

Application No.

09/810,152

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Examiner

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For

TRYPTOPHANYL-ESTERS AND THEIR N-ACYL DERIVATIVES FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING

DISEASES CAUSED OR AGGRAVATED BY

OXIDATION PROCESSES

New York, New York July 28, 2003

MAIL STOP AF Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the January 28, 2003 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants have filed concurrently herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time for replying to the Office Action and have paid the required fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136(a) and 1.17(a)(3). With the extension, the time for response is extended up to and including July 28, 2003.

Kindly amend the application as follows: